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1. An internment office, known offi[illegible] as Section IV/4 of the Ministry of the Interior, occupies four[illegible] ces on the sixth floor of the new Ministry of the Interior bu[illegible] n Budapest V, Szemeymok ucca 2.

2. The internment office acts [illegible] ear l to review the cases of persons arrested by the various Hungarian [illegible] e agencies. Source claims that secret arrests together with sp[illegible] portant cases do not fall within the competency of the internment o[illegible]. The bulk of the cases handled by the office consists of arrest[illegible] on the basis of denunciations, often anonymous. Until 10 Septem[illegible] Section IV/4 was able on its own initiative to recommend dismissal of [illegible] es for lack of evidence or make an appeal for clemency; after the [illegible] he arresting agencies of the police refused to accept moves for dis[illegible] originating with the internment office.

3. Section IV/4, according to sour[illegible] directly subordinate to the prefect of police, Gen. Ferenc MUENNICH. [illegible] section chief is Dr. Ivan KARCZAG who holds the rank of Ministerial [illegible] illor. KARCZAG is described as an able lawyer, about 35, a non-Co[illegible] who is affiliated with the Agrarian Party. Allegedly the son of a [illegible] nd-owner, KARCZAG is said to have offered his property voluntarily [illegible] ate in order to ingratiate himself with the present regime; in retu[illegible] was offered his present post in the government.

4. Other personnel of this section [illegible]

a. Dr. Ferenc GOEY, assistant [illegible] AG. GOEY is a police major and allegedly a non-Communist.

b. Dr. Bela BARTA. BARTA is a [illegible] e major and a Communist, though not a convinced one.

c. Dr. Laszlo KALMAN. KALMAN is [illegible] olice major and a Communist.

d. Capt. Laszlo FALUDY. A form[illegible] partisan officer, FALUDY is described as a dangerous Communist, p[illegible] an agent provocateur.

e. Dr. Ferenc SZACSVAY. A polic[illegible] ain, SZACSVAY belongs to the Agrarian Party.

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f. Dr. Irvin JUHASZ. JUHASZ is a police captain and a Communist.

g. Dr. Istvan DENES. DENES is a police 1st lieutenant and a Communist.

5. The Budapest Police formerly controlled some 12 to 14 internment camps at various places in Hungary. In 1946, a central camp was established in a former barracks in Budapest XI, Budaörsi ut. The camp is capable of housing 10,000 inmates. It is now under the command of Lt. Col. Lajos RUSCSAK, a convinced Communist. RUSCSAK is assisted by 1st Lt. Sandor PATKAY, also a Communist. There are five camp administrators and about 150 guards assigned to the camp.

6. The Minister of the Interior, Janos KADAR, in response to a proposal from Lt. Col. DECSI of the State Defense Department, has allegedly issued a confidential order for the building of three new internment camps, each with a capacity of housing 30,000 inmates. All three are to be completed by the end of spring of 1949. The planning and execution of this new project was allegedly assigned to Col. GYENES, head of Section IV/1. Two of the new camps will be in the Budapest area: the sites chosen were Pesthidegkut, not hitherto used for this purpose, and Kistarcsa, formerly used as a Nazi concentration camp and used since the war to house a police school. The third camp will be constructed at Satoraljaujhely. The purpose of the new camps, [redacted] is an expected large-scale purge of the middle class. [redacted]

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[redacted] Comment: Lt. Col. Gyula RUSCSAK and Lt. Col. Andras GYENES-DENES are both well-known. The former is head of Section 8 of the State Defense Department; the latter was closely affiliated with the State Defense Department before obtaining his present post.

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1. The following Hungarians are already working for the Soviet MVD in Hungary:

   Maj. Col. Albert JANOSSY, at present chief of the Supply Section in the Ministry of Defense; [redacted] 50X1-HUM

   Capt. Illes SIMON, assigned to the Personnel Section of the Ministry of Defense, Budapest, [redacted] 50X1-HUM

   Maj. Zoltan FEKETE, present assignment [redacted]

   Lt. Col. NEMETH, evangelical bishop; [redacted]

   Bela SPALLER, croupier; [redacted]

   Ibolya MARKOVITS, employed in the Ministry of Social Welfare [redacted]

2. The following persons are alleged Russian agents.
   Service:

   MISLEY, owner of the Cafe Corso, Budapest Sandor ucca. MISLEY was offering [illegible] in 1948 to evacuate Hungarians [illegible] leaving the country by means of a [illegible] issued for transporting charity [illegible] Britain to Hungary.

   Capt. Sandor KESZTHELY, Hungarian Air Force; [redacted] 50X1-HUM

   Mihaly ERDODY, newspaper publisher; address [redacted]

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[redacted]

3. The following are allegedly employees of the Military Political Section (KPCs) of the Ministry of Defense:

Col. Imre VERTES, section chief. [redacted]

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Lt. Col. Istvan KOVARI; [redacted]

Maj. Gyorgy KARDOS, [redacted]

Maj. Jozsef SZORENYI [redacted]

Lt. Col. Gyorgy CSONKA [redacted]

Maj. Istvan BERKESY, head of a detachment stationed in the Bagolyvar, a Budapest student center. [redacted]

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4. The State Defense Department representative with Maszovlet air line is allegedly one Capt. VARNAI [redacted]

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